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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:)
Markku KOULU et al.)
Serial No.: (to be assigned))
Filed: 25 August 2000)
For: A METHOD FOR REDUCING)
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 3, between lines 11 and 12, please add the following paragraph:

The file of this patent contains at least one drawing executed in color. Copies of this patent with color drawing(s) will be provided by the Patent and Trademark Office upon request and payment of the necessary fee. --

IN THE CLAIMS:

In claim 7, line 1, change "any of the claims 2 to 6" to read -- claim 2 --.

Please add the following new claims.